





## **Intersection Improvements for** Northstar and Belmont Ridge Road

Dear Blue Ridge Resident,

I wanted to provide you with another update regarding upcoming temporary and permanent intersection improvements to be completed at the intersection of Belmont Ridge Road and Northstar Boulevard in Brambleton.

Beginning on or about Monday, July 18, 2016, and continuing through approximately Friday, July 29, 2016, modifications will be made to the existing intersection. During this period, there will be varying lane closures between 9:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Friday.

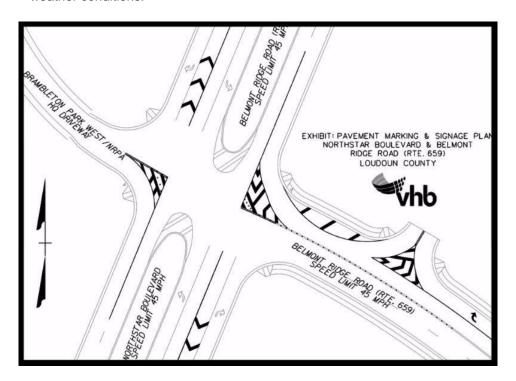
Varying lane closures will affect Belmont Ridge Road, Northstar Boulevard, and the Brambleton Park entrance road in the vicinity of the intersection. Motorists are advised to watch for flaggers, signage, and lane closures through the period of work.

This signage and striping project is part of an overall intersection improvement. The overall improvement has been broken down into two phases: phase 1 includes pavement markings and signage to channelize traffic and improve safety; phase 2 will complete the installation of a traffic signal.

## **Phase 1 - Status of Temporary Improvements:**

- The striping plan has been approved by VDOT.
- The plan for maintenance of traffic is complete and currently being reviewed by VDOT.

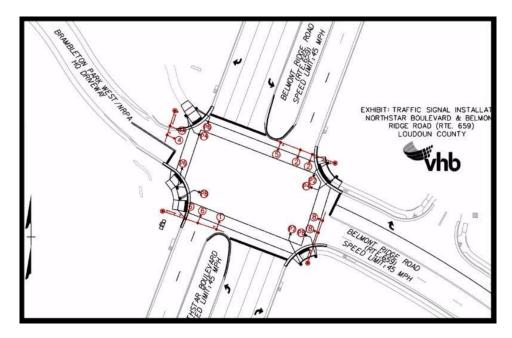
- Upon receiving approval from VDOT for the MOT plan, they will proceed immediately to implement the temporary work.
- The county plans to use a Job Order Contract (JOC) to complete the work using any remaining available funds. (Approximately \$100,000 remains from prior Board approvals. Provided the JOC pricing comes back less than \$100,000, the county will be able to proceed.)
- The estimated schedule to complete this temporary work is August 1, 2016, pending weather conditions.



Phase 2 - Status of Traffic Signal Installation:

- Funding for this portion of the project becomes available July 1, 2016 in the amount of \$510,000 through the Capital budget.
- The consultant has been selected and has completed the plan for the traffic signal. The plan is at the VDOT office for first review.
- There are three "easements" that will be needed to complete this installation. One from the County, one form the Loudoun County Public Schools, and one from the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.
- Plats are currently being prepared. Once complete, the deeds will be prepared.
- Anticipated Schedule for the project:
  - Signal plan to be approved by VDOT by July 2016.
  - Plats and deeds to be complete by September 2016.
  - Project to be advertised for competitive bids in October 2016.
  - Notice to proceed to be issued to the contractor in November since the county expects the project to be below the level of staff award authority.

Construction should be complete by April 2017.



Questions about the project may be directed to Loudoun County Construction Manager Nick Brown at Nicholas.Brown@loudoun.gov or 571-258-3435.

All my best,

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